

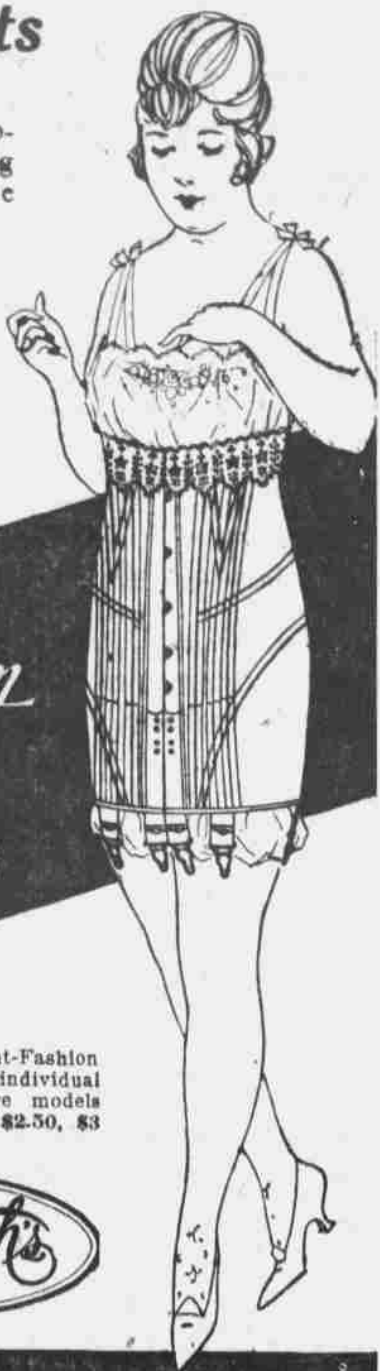
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Hayley, J. M. Walker, C. C. Hanson, E. Lindsey, Fred Goldsmith, J. W. McDonald and P. M. Canale. There also arrived G. N. McCormick and L. D. Bojach, who will tell the committee that they pledged themselves as legislative nominees to support the bill but went to war instead of the general assembly and that if they were members they would keep their pledge.

Opponents of the measure who joined H. O. True this morning are Mayor Monteverde and his brother Lawrence, C. B. Quinn and A. D. Mason, city commissioners, E. Miller, the mayor's confidential chief of staff, R. P. Stratton, his movie censor, Putnam Day, former South end nationalist, Capt. G. T. Fitzhugh, Squire Walker Thompson and former chancellor Francis Pentress. They are supplemented by Hal H. Clements, chairman of the legislative committee, Judge H. B. Lindsey, Republican nominee for governor against Robert H. Taylor, both of Knoxville, and C. T. Cates, also of Knoxville.

There is every indication that the committee on municipal affairs in joint session tonight will favorably report the bill. As there is no opposition in the senate, that body probably will pass it Thursday. The pledge breakers expect to make their fight in the house, but the best that they can hope to do is to secure a delay. As all of the Shelby members in the lower house except two are standing by their pledge, the bill may possibly pass that body on Friday, or again it may go over until next week, but there is no doubt in the minds of the proponents of the bill that it will pass the house within a few days and the signature of the governor is assured just as soon as the bill goes to his desk.

Efforts to create an impression that the ouster amendment to the charter endangers the general state order law are having no effect here. The legislators know Justice Neil and Thompson too well to have any such talk cloud the issue. Nor is there any success to efforts to muddy the waters generally. The issue is straight for or against local bill to which the legislative delegation, and the candidates for the city commission pledged themselves and the pledge breakers are making no headway.

Mayor Hicks of Birmingham says he was approached Tuesday by H. O. True, who promised him a place on the "commission" if he would support a couple of members of the house, one a relative and the other a boyhood friend. Hicks says he declined the offer.

Hicks is here in the interest of a bond issue for Birmingham. He is taking no part in the movement to take his town into the corporate limits of Memphis, but he favors the bill. He said he did not know whether True was speaking for the Democratic members of the state election board, or was offering him a place as election commissioner or whether True, in his official capacity as a Republican, was offering him a place on the city commission. He didn't want to inquire what the offer was, he rejected it forthwith. Hicks said True told him Monteverde and Mason would reach Nashville Wednesday and would confirm his proposition.

The opposition Tuesday introduced a trick city manager bill in the legislature. The bill was introduced by some of the Davidson county delegation at the request, it is reported, of the Shelby pledge breakers. The report here is that the bill was drawn by a well-known Memphis lawyer, who has been acting opposite to the city manager plan after a favorable vote by the people.

The supposition is that it was given the same title as the original and bona fide bill with the idea that it might be killed and prevent legislation on the subject. Speaker Walker of the house, the governor's right-hand man, who is strongly for the genuine Memphis charter bill, will see to it that no trick stuff is pulled by either Hanes or Galt or their assistants. The bill is so crudely drawn as to be easily recognizable as a scheme of the opposition.

## TEACHER BURNS SELF TO DEATH; FLU VICTIM

DOTHAN, Ala., March 26.—Information was received here to the effect that Miss Kate Lingo, a school teacher residing in Henry county, while in a semicoma condition as an after effect of influenza, saturated her clothing with kerosene oil and touching a lighted match to it, was burned to death before aid could be secured. She was a daughter of a former county commissioner of Henry.

## HUN SWEARS GERMANY WILL NOT GIVE UP LANDS

BERLIN, March 26.—"I take a most solemn oath that the government will not surrender to the enemy one inch of German territory, either east or west," Dr. Schiffer, minister of finance in the new cabinet, said, in addressing a great crowd in front of the chancellery palace Sunday, according to the Tages Zeitung.

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the proletariat by the agitators in all countries in Europe, who profit by the act of procrastination and national selfishness.

Premier Orlando faces an election, his delegation makes a flourish of possible withdrawal. Premier Clemenceau in France is anxious to get the provinces on the left bank of the Rhine, and when his wish is balked by America and Britain he threatens to resign, but withdraws his resignation from the hands of President Poincare.

Those who have been demanding an immediate peace with Germany have been demanding the impossible. France and Italy recede from their demands. President Wilson knew that it would be difficult for the statesmen to recede, and the league of nations scheme seemed to him to be the best way for the gap to be bridged, for a machinery to settle those questions surely and equitably to be set up. That's why he wanted the league to be incorporated in the peace treaty. The allied statesmen all agreed, thinking that if they satisfied Mr. Wilson on that point he would agree to some of their territorial demands.

But while Mr. Wilson was absent, in America, the politicians in Paris drafted a preliminary treaty with Germany which they thought would, of course, meet his approval and which they believed also would be ratified by a Republican senate if the covenant were divorced from the league of nations and not recognized with American sentiment on these territorial questions. Much of the opposition to the league of nations is based on an unwillingness to guarantee any European territory settlements. Mr. Wilson is in effect telling his colleagues at Paris now that unless the settlements are of the right character, he, too, will not feel that he can ask

the American people to guarantee them. He issued a similar warning at the opening of the peace conference. His views are said to have undergone no change in this respect.

Out of the chaos will come increased strength for Mr. Wilson, because, unless the allied statesmen follow leadership, they may find Germany in a state of Bolshevism. Extremist tactics on the part of those who want to reduce Germany to serfdom and who want to prevent her from resuming trade with the world mean, to the minds of the American commissioners, merely an invitation to anarchy, for untrained soldiers and the masses are given food, the German political structure will collapse and a union with the Russian Bolsheviks will be inevitable.

The president has believed that the creation of a league of nations, in part to administer territorial problems, would be the best stroke the allies could wield to kill Bolshevism. He has argued that if the masses in Europe have faith in the sense of justice of the Paris conference, they will not overthrow such governments as already exist. Responsibility for lack of faith in the Paris conference may be distributed in part to the tolerance of these claims which were set forth in the secret treaties of 1915, which the allied liberals of Europe pronounced imperialistic.

**Treaties Suppressed.**  
These treaties were suppressed by many European censors but were published and distributed to other newspapers in America by the New York Evening Post, as an example of secret diplomacy. But, the treaties were not fully understood at the time in America nor are they understood here. The secret of the military activity on the western front, thus, the London Chronicle, which often reflects the views of Premier Lloyd George, now says openly that while England may have been pledged to the restoration of Alsace and Lorraine, the restoration of the German provinces on the left bank of the Rhine, "never constituted a British war aim."

Here are the texts of two articles in these secret treaties which both France and Italy are supporting and which are responsible for the situation in Paris today.

"The territory on the left bank of the Rhine, including the composition of French territory shall form an autonomous and neutral government, which shall be placed under the protection of the league of nations, until such time as the enemy government completely fulfills all the conditions and guarantees mentioned in the treaty of peace."

Inasmuch as these conditions and guarantees will take 50 to 100 years to fulfill, men like Marshal Foch have come out openly for annexation or at least the permanent occupancy by the French troops of territory which is populated entirely by Germans. Rather than submit to this the Ebert cabinet in Germany may and itself conspires to adopt the attitude of the Russians after Brest-Litovsk, an attitude of passive nonresistance, but whether this will be sufficient to stay the Bolshevik movement is a question.

The next article that is causing concern is in the Italian agreement with France and Great Britain and Russia, which says in part:

"Under the imminent treaty of peace, Italy must receive the district of Trentino, the entire Southern Tyrol to the river Brenner, the city and suburbs of Trieste, all of Istria to Quarnero including Volosca and Italian islands of Derna and Lussino, (and some smaller islands). In the same manner, Italy is to receive the Province of Dalmatia in its present form, etc."

Inasmuch as most of these names were unfamiliar to American readers, the significance of the article, passed unnoted but its importance between the Jugo-Slavs, who are clamoring for an outlet to the sea through the port of Trieste, and the Italians, who want practically everything on the east side of the Adriatic of value must be ceded to them, has been explained in the treaty. That is why so much unrest exists with the south part of Europe today.

Friends of the allied cause have always attempted to explain these treaties by saying offers of territory had to be made to get Italy into the war or to catch the smaller neutrals like Rumania. Great Britain's part in signing the treaty is the only one that has a general division of expected spoils was going on, but Great Britain's position was expressed by unofficial spokesmen, is that acceptance by all the allies of President Wilson's fourteen demands, these secret treaties because the points declare absolutely for open covenants as well as for a definition of boundaries along recognizable lines of nationality. Germany and Austria accepted the fourteen points as a basis for peace and the allies in their note granting an armistice did the same with reservations only on reparations and freedom of the seas.

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## FOCH CALLS ON ITALIANS TO TALK OVER ACTION

PARIS, March 26.—Marshal Foch called at the headquarters of the Italian delegation last evening in connection with possible military measures discussed by the council, in view of the grave situation in Eastern Europe.

M. Bratiano, the Rumanian premier, speaking of events in Eastern Europe, expressed the view that Bolshevism might soon extend to Serbia because of her relationship with Russia and to Slavonia and Croatia because of connections with Hungary.

## PRIMARIES FIXED.

UNION CITY, Tenn., March 26. (Spt.)—At a meeting of the executive committee of this county, just held, it was decided that the primary elections for officers will be held Aug. 2, 1915, and the election for same will take place August, 1920. There are several candidates for sheriff, including one soldier boy; two candidates so far for tax assessor and some five or six candidates for trustee.

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